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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Melody Arabo, 2014-2015 Michigan Teacher of the Year

SUBJECT: Teacher of the Year Report – December

The following took place between November 19, 2014 and December 15, 2014:

- Featured speaker for Oakland University's CASA Professional Career Day.
- Shared my presentation and materials on Math Fact Fluency with teachers at Pleasant Lake Elementary in Walled Lake.
- Visited INVEST Grace Elementary/Middle School, which is a charter school through Hazel Park Public Schools.
- Attended a 2 day training at the Crowne Plaza in Lansing for the Michigan Educator Voice Fellowship.
- Visited Hillel Elementary School in Farmington Hills to see their school-wide 21st century learning environment.
- Visited Michigan Virtual University and was interviewed on my experience with blended learning.
- Attended the Network of Michigan Educators Banquet in Lansing.
- Attended the Michigan Innovative Schools Conference in Lansing.
- Visited Harrison High School in Farmington Hills to learn about their QI part-time teaching/part-time instructional coaching model.
- Traveled to Washington, D.C. for the NEA Master Teacher Project Celebration Conference.
- *Diary of a Real Bully* is now available for preorder. Estimated release date is January 8th.

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